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Peninsular and Oriental S. N. Company. For rates, dates of sailing, and further particulars See Notice on Page 2.

ORIENT-ROYAL MAIL LINE.

R.M.S. Oriana will leave Port Said about December 14. R.M.S. Orontes will leave Port Said about December 17. R.M.S. Orizaba will leave Port Said about December 21.

Special reduced rates during summer season 15th May - 15th September. Agents, CAIRO: THOMAS COOK & SON, LTD.; ALEXANDRIA: R. J. MOSS & CO.

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OUTWARDS TO COLOMBO, TOTORING, etc., and RANGOON. S.S. Warwickshire, 7966 tons, will leave Port Said about December 20th. S.S. Shropshire, 5775 tons, will leave Port Said about December 10th.

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Dec. 13 S.S. 'Makos' from Hamburg; Dec. 19 S.S. 'Andros' from Antwerp bound for Rott. Hamburg S.S. 'Wooland', now in port discharging. For tariff, and particulars apply to ADOLPHE STROSS, Alexandria Agent. 15-9-907

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ROYAL ROUMANIAN EXPRESS STEAMER SERVICE. Alexandria to Smyrna, Constantinople and Constanza. Weekly departure from Alexandria every Thursday at 4 p.m. with the new twin screw S.S. BRODIE CAROL.

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Egyptian State Railways. THROUGH PASSENGER SERVICES (Daily)—DECEMBER TIME-TABLE. Cairo ... DEP. 7.30 ... ARR. 12.15 ... Alexandria ... DEP. 11.00 ... ARR. 12.55 ...

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Plague. To-day's plague bulletin records a death in hospital at Neg Hamadi.

Ritz Hotel. The allotment of the shares has been concluded to-day. The capital was over-subscribed fifty-four times.

The British Mail. The mail from Europe, via Port Said and Brindisi, will close at the G.P.O., Alexandria, at 3.10 p.m. on Sunday.

Ministry of the Interior. According to "Al Minbar," the Ministry of the Interior intends to pension fifteen markiz-mamours in the provinces.

State Railway Institute. Prof. Angelo Scolari and pupils will give a vocal and instrumental concert in the Boule Institute on Saturday, 8th inst.

Khedive's Accession Fete. The first list of subscriptions for the celebration of the anniversary of the Khedive's Accession amounts to L.E. 335.

Cable Routes. The exhibition of the various plans for the new Bonre buildings at Cairo will be open to the public from this afternoon, from 3 to 4.30 o'clock, and will remain open until Wednesday next inclusive.

Guides at Assuan. A correspondent strongly recommends tourists and others visiting Assuan to employ the local guides, instead of those from Luxor, who generally are ill-informed as to the whereabouts of Assuan.

Suez Canal. On the 5th inst., 9 vessels, 5 northward and 4 southward bound, transited the Canal, and paid for passenger and tonnage toll Fr. 238,863.81. Of these vessels, 7 were British, 1 French and 1 Dutch. The receipts since December 1 amount to Fr. 1,986,635.67.

K.S.E.E. The 1st Battalion King's Own Scottish Borderers, which arrived in Egypt last week from Southampton, is likely to see foreign service, extending over 16 or 18 years. The battalion went home from India close on 16 years ago, and its home stations were Devonport, York, Alderhot, and Dublin.

Wrestling at the Alhambra. Last night's wrestling resulted as follows: Van der Berg beat Clement (13 minutes); Eganman beat Cylis (10 minutes); Pons beat Sobackmann (8 minutes); Bassarini beat Limousin. The following bouts will come off to-night: Eganman v. Van der Berg, Ostinger v. Clement, Sobackmann v. Karl Cylis, Limousin v. Paul Pons.

British Club. The first smoking concert at this club will be held to-morrow evening at 9 o'clock, when Rear Admiral Sir Maasie Blonfield, K.C.M.G., has kindly consented to take the chair. Members of the club and their friends are requested to be punctual. It is contemplated to give a concert, to which ladies will be invited, next month.

A Commercial Geography of Egypt. Mohamed Tewfik Taher Effendi, teacher of geography at Takhina School, Cairo, has published in pamphlet form a précis of useful information on Egypt and the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, together with a full explanation of the great routes of the world. All interested in Egyptian affairs will find it very handy. The price is 15 millimes.

Light in Khartoum. The delay in supplying Khartoum with electric light has been the cause of deep disappointment to one of the local poets, says the "Sudan Gazette." This gentleman had burnt a quantity of oil in preparing a long poem with which to receive the new year (1907) and the electric light. We understand that some of his friends now advise him to postpone his poem until the beginning of 1908.

A Lottery Case. Ahmed Khabbara, the newspaper vendor of Cairo, obtained the winning number in a philanthropic society's lottery at Cairo, but was refused payment of the thousand francs he had won because the lottery ticket had been presented for payment after eight days, which was the limit fixed in the regulations. Khabbara is bringing an action against the society on the ground that the prescription of eight days is not legally recognised.

Chartered Accountants. Messrs. W.B. Peat & Co., the well-known chartered accountants of London, Middleboro', Barrow-in-Furness, York, and Darlington, have opened a branch of their business in Cairo in the Sharia Cherifien, Kasr el Nil, under the management of Mr. H. Victor Hall, who has been for some years with them in London. We understand they are already engaged on several important matters, amongst others the audit of the Egyptian State Railways.

Dongola and "Condola." The quick oblivion that falls over even recent history was (says the "Westminster Gazette") seriously illustrated at a teachers' examination, the reports of which have just seen the light. A passage was dictated relating to the military operations in Egypt a few years back. The word "Dongola," occurring in the phrase "the advance of the troops in Egypt on 'Dongola,'" was ingeniously spelled in twenty-four quite wrong ways, a favourite mis-spelling being "Gondola." Fourteen different translations of the name of "the Egyptian patriot Arabi," as he was described in the district's extract, were perpetrated by candidates, "Arrowby," and even "Alibi," being among the variants!

GENERAL'S TERRIBLE DEATH.

HIS EGYPTIAN RECORD.

LONDON, December 6. General Guise Tucker was found dead at the railway near Portsmouth. His body was terribly mutilated. (Reuter)

Major General William Guise Tucker, C.B., took a brilliant part in the Egyptian campaign of 1882, and saw service at El Masfar, El Mahuts, and Kassassin, where he participated in two engagements, and Tel el Kebir, where he won a major's brevet, the medal with clasps, and other decorations. It was at Tamai however, in the war in the Eastern Sudan, that he was mentioned for the brave deed of tearing the enemy's guns upon them. This earned him promotion to substantive major. The late General, who had retired, commanded the Brigade of Royal Marines in London at the Coronation.

DEATH OF M. PESMAZOGLU.

The news of the death of M. Jean G. Pesmazoglou, who died at Athens yesterday after a long and painful illness, has been received with general sorrow at Alexandria. The well-known Greek banker was born at Alexandria and educated at Smyrna, of which city his father, M. George Pesmazoglou, was a native, afterwards coming to Egypt, where he occupied a high position in the commercial and financial world in the time of Mohamed Aly. His son began his financial career at the Credit Lyonnais at Alexandria, then under the management of M. Kleinmann. Subsequently M. Pesmazoglou became director of the commercial department of the Anglo-Egyptian Bank at Minet-el-Basal. After the events of '92 he founded a bank of his own, and transferred his business in 1896 to the Bank of Athens. He was appointed general manager of that bank at Athens in 1897 and always maintained an active interest in its affairs.

THE KHEDIVÉ.

The Khedive spent yesterday at Koubeh Palace. This morning his Highness visited the tomb of his father and grandfather at El Rifah, and attended midday prayer at El Shafiq Mosque.

The Kismet El Mahmal will be removed this afternoon from Khorsah to Mohamed Aly-square, Cairo, where the ceremony of the removal to the H-seini Mosque will be held to-morrow morning under the presidency of the Khedive.

A DEMENTI.

We are authorized to state that there is no truth in the statements, which have appeared in some of the Cairo newspapers, to the effect that Mr. Mitchell Innes, Under Secretary of State at the Ministry of Finance, is to be transferred from his present position in order to be attached to the Khedive in some new capacity.

TRIPS TO VICTORIA NYANZA.

Tourists were carried up the Nile last year as far as Gondokoro, within 310 miles of the head of the Nile on the north shore of the Victoria Nyanza. The Government of the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan has this year opened the Nile route clear to Uzanda on the coast of the lake, and is now taking steps greatly to improve and quicken this service. According to Mr. Freshfield, the well known American mountaineer, one of the largest tourist companies expects soon to sell tickets to Victoria Nyanza by way of the Red Sea, returning by the Nile.

FIRE BRIGADE DISPLAY.

The programme of the fire brigade display to be held at the brigade station, Bab-el-Ghedid, to-morrow, at 3 p.m., comprises every manoeuvre evolved in the duties of the service, what with drills and races. These include the following: Hose reel and hand escape-drill, running out hose and carrying of an unconscious person; pompier ladder drill, showing climbing; rescue by rope tackle, showing how it is possible to escape a rescue from a roof or upper floor; emergency escape for firemen, for use when out off; use of patent branch pipe showing jet, water curtain, and both combined to protect fireman; jumping sheet, smoke helmet and chemical cylinders, showing way of jumping, use of helmet, and chemical cylinder; drill with motor fire engine; drill converting steamer from one to four jets. It will close with a grand finale of a house on fire, in which a rescue will be effected by jumping sheet and hand escape.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The S.S. Oceana left Naples at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, and is due at Alexandria at 6 a.m. on Saturday.

The Florio-Robattino S.S. Perseo, due at Alexandria on Sunday next, left Messina three hours behind time.

The S.S. Trojan Prince, with passengers and general cargo, left London on the 6th inst., and is due at Alexandria on or about the 23-d.

The S.S. Garib Prince, with passengers and general cargo, left Manchester on the 6th inst., and is due at Alexandria on or about the 22nd.

NEW KHEDIVIAL HOTEL, CAIRO.

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A SERIOUS ASSAULT.

BANK MANAGER SAVAGELY ATTACKED.

EFFECT OF THE CAPITULATIONS.

Yesterday evening, shortly after seven o'clock, a savage assault was committed on Mr. Giovanni de Beaupuis, the respected manager of the Banco di Roma at Alexandria. Mr. de Beaupuis was talking to Mr. Leopold Jullien, the manager of the Union Fosciera, in Old Bourc-street, when he was suddenly struck on the nose of the neck with a blade-gear wielded by a Croatian in the service of Messrs. Cattani Frères. He was almost stunned by the first blow when he received a second one, and then his assailant took to his heels and rushed off pursued by a number of persons who had witnessed the affray, as at that time of the evening the street is crowded. Mr. de Beaupuis was immediately taken to the Attaris Casco, but the police were unable to arrest the would-be assassin without the permission of the Austro-Hungarian Consulate, owing to the Capitulations. The victim was afterwards taken home, where he was attended by a doctor, who declared that if the blow had been a fraction of a centimetre higher it would have proved fatal.

The Croat took refuge in a bank in Cherif Pasha-street, which was soon surrounded by a crowd of people. The detectives of the Alexandria City Police were prevented from arresting the man, as the bank, being a foreign establishment, could not be entered. Up to the time of going to press it has not been ascertained whether the man has been arrested or not.

The attempt on Mr. de Beaupuis is said to be due to the fact that the Banco di Roma refused to cash a cheque the Croat brought to the bank on Tuesday last, as the drawer had not a sufficient account at the bank to meet it.

A TEMPTING INVESTMENT.

UNITED EGYPTIAN LANDS.

We would draw particular attention to the abridged prospectus, which we publish in another page, of the United Egyptian Lands, Limited, a company which is being launched under the very best auspices. The company, which will have a capital of £500,000, divided into 498,750 Ordinary shares of £1 each and 25,000 Deferred shares of 1s. each, has an option to purchase a landed property known as Kom el Akhbar, situated in the province of B-hara, near Dammanour, consisting of 4,730 feddans. The property is well situated and easily got at, being about 50 miles south-east of Alexandria, and only 14 miles distant from Kom el Akhbar station on the Delta Light Railway, from which point there is a 60 centimetre tramway to the principal homestead. According to Mr. Lang Anderson, who is a recognised authority on the subject, the property is capable of great development at moderate cost. If £300,000 is judiciously spent on it during the next three years, he says, it can be brought to a capital value of £75 to £80 per feddans. The work of development is simple and follows well known lines, so that the element of unforeseen contingencies is largely diminished, while the results of development are sure. The H. and J. Syndicate, Limited, have also obtained an option on a valuable property, of about 55,000 metres, at Rhoda Island, Cairo, which can be secured by the company at a satisfactory price. The directors have other business in view which is believed to be of a most profitable nature; as, however, negotiations are still in progress, it is not possible to give details at present.

The board of the company is a strong one, consisting as it does of Major-General Sir John Ardagh, Mr. Elias Meyer, Mr. Gerald Arthur Sheppard, and Col. Henry Leicester Aylmer, while the advisory board, composed of Messrs. John Hicks Paul, Neghib J. Surook, and Sydney Henton Carter, is one which cannot fail to command the utmost confidence in Egypt. Altogether the company forms a tempting investment. The Ordinary shares are entitled to a preferential dividend of 7 per cent., and will participate with the Deferred shares in the remaining profit, available for distribution, the Deferred shares taking 60 per cent. and the Ordinary shares the remaining 40 per cent.

The subscription list will be opened at the Anglo-Egyptian Bank on Monday, 10th inst., and closed on or before noon on Thursday, 13th inst. We may add, however, that the company is being so much appreciated by the public that in all probability the lists will close on Tuesday afternoon (the 11th) at latest.

DELTA LAND COMPANY.

Rampages have been current for some days past to the effect that the London Board are not in accord with the local directors as regards the immediate policy of dealing with certain properties of the company. We believe that before long a shareholders' meeting will be called to deal with the questions at issue.

THE PILGRIMAGE.

The Egyptian pilgrims who have left for the Hejz is up to date number 4,000. 600 Banderese pilgrims arrived recently at Khertoum from El Paler, on their way to Mecca. They will take train for Saakia, and 470 of these will be given free passages by the Government.

NOTES FROM SUEZ.

IMPORTANT DREDGING OPERATIONS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Suez, Thursday. The dredging of Suez Bay, the preliminaries of which have already been begun, will very shortly commence, and for this purpose six powerful dredgers are on their way out from Newcastle.

I understand that the same contractors have obtained a contract from the Suez Canal Company for the dredging of Port Tewfik. When that work is completed steamers will be able to enter the break-water, instead of lying in the roads, which are very much exposed, especially to southerly gales, which are frequent in winter, and thus render the discharging and shipping of cargoes sometimes impossible.

It appears that the Government are about to give the contract to the same company for dredging the creek leading to Suez, which will be a great boon to commerce.

THE S.S. NEGHIHIEH.

The Khedivial steamer Calliochiah sailed again from Suez yesterday morning to assist the Neghilleh, and took in tow a lighter with a number of men, to discharge the ballast of the stranded steamer. At the time of stranding she had no cargo on board, and this renders the refloating of the vessel difficult. Captain Peck, the company's marine superintendent, is on the spot directing operations. The Neghilleh is one of the Khedivial Company's oldest ships and is, I understand, fully insured against loss at Lloyd's.

ABBAS THEATRE, CAIRO.

I have seen the "Liliputians" two or three times since I last wrote about them. I saw the "Barber de Seville" on Sunday in a packed house, then "Crispino e Comare," then last night "La Fille du Régiment." They are always delightful, so keen and fresh and true to the note. As to voice, of course, one can't take a standard of comparison. For one thing the natural comparison between their voices and that of a choirboy does not hold; their singing is quite different, far more dramatic, without the same chance of long-drawn notes which give that almost painful sweetness peculiar to a boy's soprano. But their sense of time and tone is extraordinarily acute. Last night there were some most tricky bits of recitative with unexpected accidentals—and never a mistake!

The little lady who plays "Figaro" is, on her off-nights, a leader in the chorus, and seems to enjoy it as much as a part. Ricciolini is perhaps the best for tone and charm of all the boys; his voice seems to be a high alto without any shrillness or thin notes; and he induces a lot of variety. Mlle. Levi is, of course, far and away beyond the rest. She has, as it were, a full-grown voice, and knows how to sing: the first thing that strikes one is the continuity of each note. I feel quite ready to compare her, whatever readers may say, to many "grown-ups" I have heard. As to her acting and her personality, that is quite a delight. She is a charming creature to look at, and the "petite air proteoche" she assumes towards the rest is a pleasure. Mlle. (is she Mlle. or is she a boy!) Carroll is the only other who gives the effect of being older than the rest in voice and manner.

The good Mr. Guerra is probably a most kindly and fatherly trainer, but I wish he would not bang so loud and neglect his orchestra so entirely. He bends his paternal eyes on the keyboard all the time. I scarcely saw him glance once at the stage or his fellow musicians. Well, the troupe never failed him. Of course one has to discount, in one's impressions, the absence of weariness and over-training, of stage-worn procreancy and rivalry. That is most noticeable in Mlle. Levi's voice: she has all the notes, all the colour, much of the fullness—and it is just that difference which makes her voice and appearance a delight and a memory—that a full grown prima donna would show; but the stage is to her an incident and not a wage-earning worry. Ah, if only real opera people who have the voice, tenor, bass, soprano after their kind, had that spontaneity and truth that these children give us! It is too delightful to be food for criticism or comparison.

SHEPHERD'S HOTEL.

By kind permission of Lt.-Col. J. H. Gideon and officers, the band of the 1st Batt. Lancashire Fusiliers will play the following programme at Shepherd's Hotel on Saturday, 8th inst., from 4 to 6 p.m. —

- March—State Trumpeters—Selter. Overture—William Tell—Rossini. Oriental Scene—A Dervish Chorus—Sebel. Selection—La Bohème—Puccini. Selection—Turk—Mikolich. Selection—Yeroneque—Messager. Valse—Toreador—Reyls. Galop—Vivats—Hitz. Regimental March—Khedivial Anthem. God Save the King. E. N. MILLS, Bandmaster.

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UPHOLSTERS TO H.M. KING EDWARD VII.

By kind permission of their representative, Mr. T. OLIVER, is now staying at the New Khedivial Hotel, Alexandria, where he will remain till December 24th, and where he will be pleased to make appointments and to give his advice on all matters concerning Furniture and Decorations. Mr. OLIVER will be in Cairo at Shepherd's Hotel, from December 26th, till the end of January. 4099-132

CAIRO KUTTABS.

DISTRIBUTION OF GRANTS IN-AID.

The distribution of the grants-in-aid to the Kuttabs and arifs of the Cairo Kuttabs took place yesterday morning at 10 o'clock in the amphitheatre of the examination halls of the Ministry of Education, Dar-el-Gamamiz, under the presidency of H. E. Saad Zoghlou Pasha, the Minister of Education, and in the presence of H. E. Hussein Fakhy Pasha, K.C.M.G., H. E. Yacoub Artin Pasha, L.L.D., H. E. Adli Yaqub Pasha, H. E. Mahmood Sidki Pasha, the Grand Mufti, Sheikh Hassanouna El-Nawawi, the Adviser to the Ministry of Education, Sheikh Hamza Fathallah, Mohamed Ataf Bey, the inspectors of kuttabs, and a large concourse of folk.

The proceedings commenced by a recital of one of the Suras of the Koran. H. E. the Minister of Education, in an eloquent speech, then dwelt upon the advantages to the country of the development of elementary vernacular education, and exhorted the folk to whole-hearted devotion to their calling. In speaking of the progress already accomplished, his Excellency spoke gratefully of the work done by his predecessors, Hussein Fakhy Pasha and Yacoub Artin Pasha, and by Mr. Danlop and the inspectors. Sheikh Abd El-Asis Shawsheeh, sub-inspector of kuttabs, then delivered an address explaining the objects of the grant-in-aid scheme and describing the progress that has been realised. H. E. the Minister then distributed the grants-in-aid.

Until 1897, Government initiative in the matter of education was almost entirely limited to supplying a European course of education designed to fit Egyptians for various branches of the public service and for professional careers. Scattered throughout the country there have existed from time immemorial a number of indigenous schools called "kuttabs." Statistics compiled in 1897 showed the existence of some 10,000 of these rudimentary schools, attended by some 300,000 scholars. About 2,000 of them were carried on under pious trusts, generally in association with some mosque, whilst the others were for the most part private adventure institutions. The schools were conducted by poor men, in many cases blind, who in the main gained their livelihood by reciting the Koran at funerals and festivals. The teaching in them was in most cases limited to learning by heart the Koran. The majority of the teachers were quite illiterate and were incapable of giving any other instruction.

In 1869 and 1890 attempts were made to bring these schools compulsorily under official control with a view to reforming them, but both attempts had to be abandoned. In 1897, the Ministry of Education initiated the experiment of trying to bring the schools under departmental supervision by means of a simple system of grants-in-aid.

Receipt of aid was made dependent upon all the instruction being given in Arabic, upon daily instruction being given in reading, writing, and arithmetic, and upon the school reaching a satisfactory level of efficiency as tested by Government inspection. The kuttabs to which a grant-in-aid is awarded are classified, according to merit, in two divisions. Kuttabs reported to have reached only the lower standard receive a grant of 10 P.T. for each boy and 20 P.T. for each girl in average attendance. Kuttabs reported to have reached the higher standard receive a grant of 15 P.T. for each boy and 30 P.T. for each girl in average attendance.

The extent to which the grant-in-aid system has developed may be seen from the fact that the total amount of the grants-in-aid awarded has increased from L.E. 495 in 1898 to L.E. 15,136 in 1906, while the number of kuttabs under inspection has increased in the same period from 801 to 4,432. The number of kuttabs awarded a grant-in-aid has increased similarly from 110 (34 first class and 86 second class) to 2,768 (614 first class and 2,154 second class).

The grants-in-aid allotted to a kuttab is apportioned by the Ministry among the members of the teaching staff, the share of the head-teacher being ordinarily counted as double the share of each assistant.

The number of pupils and teachers brought under the inspection of the Ministry of Education by the operation of the grant-in-aid scheme has increased as follows:—1898, pupils, 7,536 (6,938 boys and 598 girls); teachers, 499 (490 males, 9 female). 1906, pupils, 156,542 (145,838 boys and 10,704 girls); teachers, 6,583 (6,551 male, 32 female).

The number of pupils in kuttabs reported to be sufficiently efficient to be awarded a grant-in-aid has likewise considerably increased.

In addition to the kuttabs under inspection for grants-in-aid the Ministry of Education has under its own direct control 121 kuttabs attended by 8,994 boys and 1,991 girls. Of these, 6 are special kuttabs for girls, staffed exclusively by female teachers, and attended by 596 girls. 86 of the Government kuttabs are in Cairo and 35 in the provinces.

In order to improve the competence of the teachers already serving in the kuttabs, the Ministry of Education in 1902 instituted weekly holiday classes for teachers in kuttabs on Thursday afternoons and Friday mornings. Classes are now held in two primary schools in Cairo and in 18 primary schools and in 10 Government kuttabs in the provinces. The number of teachers enrolled in the classes on October 13th, 1906, was 2,504. Owing to the distances which the teachers are compelled to travel, the attendance is less regular than is desirable, and averages only about 50% of the number of students enrolled, but persistent efforts are being made to improve the regularity of attendance.

In addition to the weekly holiday class at the Ministry of Education has within the last few years, as opportunity occurred, established Normal Schools for training teachers for service in kuttabs. Three of these normal schools are for male teachers and one for female teachers. The numbers in attendance at these Normal Schools are as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Place of School, When established, Sex of Students, No. of Students. Rows for Cairo (Abd-el-Atas, Dar-el-Gamamiz, El-Masara, Kalfouh) and their respective statistics.

With the adoption of these measures for improving the existing teaching staff and providing a supply of trained recruits for service in the kuttabs, the number of candidates successful at the qualifying examination for teachers in kuttabs has during the last five years increased to a very great extent.

In the Government kuttabs practically the whole of the teaching staff have passed the qualifying examination; whilst in the kuttabs under inspection for grants-in-aid, 234 teachers who have passed the examination were found to be serving in the kuttabs at the last annual inspection, 65 having qualified as head teachers and 159 as assistant teachers.

The total expenditure on elementary vernacular education has increased since 1898 as follows:—1898, L.E. 1,586; 1899, L.E. 4,437; 1900, L.E. 4,956; 1901, L.E. 6,525; 1902, L.E. 13,393; 1903, L.E. 21,067; 1904, L.E. 28,635; 1905, L.E. 37,410; 1906, L.E. 44,951.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

The Archbishop of Sinai has arrived in Paris from London.

Ibrahim Pasha Naguib, Under Secretary to the Ministry of the Interior, came down to Alexandria yesterday evening.

The newly-appointed French Consul-General at Cairo, M. Klobokowski, is expected to arrive at Port Said on the 15th inst. by the Messageries Maritimes S.S. Natal from Marseilles.

H.I.M. the Emperor Francis-Joseph has conferred the Order of Francis-Joseph, of the 2nd class on Neguib Bey Ghali, secretary to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and the 4th class of the same order on Smidi Bey, an official of the same Ministry.

Hasan Bey Galal, the new Counsellor to the Cairo Native Court of Appeal, left Alexandria yesterday afternoon for Cairo to take up his new post.

Mustapha Pasha Kemel leaves to-morrow for Europe, accompanied by Mohamed Farid Bey, with the object of finding contributors for his Anglo-French journal, "The Egyptian Standard."

Mrs. H. E. Barker is expected to arrive on the 10th inst. by the North German Lloyd.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. J. B. Vasotto, late chief of the post office division at Alexandria and formerly head of the Cairo Custom House, which took place at Alexandria on Wednesday last at 3 p.m. The funeral took place at the Catholic Cemetery yesterday afternoon. The family are very grateful for the marks of esteem which they have received in their bereavement from the Customs and Postal Administrations, as well as from their friends. The chief mourners were the four sons of the deceased, who are all employed in Government Administrations.

EGYPTIAN ANTIQUITIES FOR U.S.A.

METROPOLITAN MUSEUM'S MOVE.

The November Bulletin of the New York Metropolitan Art Museum announces the formation of a department of Egyptian art, and the appointment of Mr. Albert M. Lythgoe as its curator. This is a new departure for the museum. The organization of a department for exploration in the field of Egyptian art was decided upon at a recent meeting of the board of trustees. They have recognized that the development of this field should be undertaken at once. It has been estimated that if the present activity in the Egyptian field continues the Egyptian rarities will be exhausted in about fifteen years, at the end of which time all the really fine things will have been absorbed by the great public collections.

The Metropolitan Museum is now prepared to enter the field actively, and arrangements have been made to carry on excavations in winter. Funds have been advanced from private sources for this work. Mr. Lythgoe will be authorized to make purchases of Egyptian art objects and antiquities during his trip to Egypt. He sailed for Europe on the Baltic on Nov. 31, and was to spend two weeks in London and Berlin purchasing the equipment for his work in Egypt, which will extend until about the middle of May. He will make reports from time to time to the Museum's board. He will then return to Oxford for a comparative formulation of the results of the year, and will go back to New York about Sept. 1 next and install such objects discovered in Egypt on the floor of exploration.

Mr. Lythgoe is a graduate of Harvard University, and was recently the curator of the department of Egyptian art in the Boston Museum of Fine Arts.







This Prospectus has been filed with the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The Subscription List will be opened at the BANQUE DE SAHARIE at CAIRO and ALEXANDRIA on 8th December, 1906, and closed on or before 15th December 1906.

Helouan (Egypt) Development Company Limited.

(Incorporated under the Companies' Act, 1862 to 1900).

Capital - £250,000

Divided into 250,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 each.

With power to increase to £500,000 upon Resolution of the Board.

ISSUE OF 250,000 ORDINARY SHARES, 215,000 of which are now offered for subscription at par.

Payable 2s. per share upon Application, and 8s. per share upon Allotment, and the balance in Calls of 5s. each as and when required.

THERE ARE NO PREFERENCE OR FOUNDER'S SHARES.

Shares Warrants to Bearer will be delivered free of Stamp Duty to original subscribers upon payment of their Shares in full.

Directors: ELIE TORIEL, Director Egyptian Lands and General Trust, Limited, Alexandria.

J. RUPERT CAMPBELL, (Chairman Egyptian Lands and Agency, Ltd.), Cairo.

AGUSTE ROSSANO, (Messrs. Rossano Freres & Co.) Cairo.

ALFRED CHAMASS, (Director Societe des Automobiles et des Omnibus de Cairo), Cairo.

EDWARD FORBES, (Manager Banque de Saharie), Alexandria.

Bankers: BANQUE DE SAHARIE, Alexandria.

Legal Advisor: L. CARTON DE WIART, Solicitor, Buildings, Cairo.

Auditors: ROUSSEL, KERR & WYATT, Cairo, Alexandria, and London.

Secretary & Registered Offices: S. V. WOOD, 20 Backlebury, London, E.C.

Secretary & Local Offices: A. P. PHILLIPS, F.A.I.C.S., Maison Spire, Sharia Kasr-el-Nil, Cairo.

PROSPECTUS.

This Company has been formed for the purpose set out in its Memorandum of Association, to carry on business in Egypt and the Sudan, and more particularly to develop the well-known health resort of Helouan, near Cairo, by the acquisition of land and building sites, and by the erection of buildings thereon, and generally with the object of acquiring interests of divers kinds in this rapidly improving district.

Although facilities for the acquisition of properties in Helouan will it is believed be afforded the Directors, yet no existing or proposed contracts to be entered into by the Co. on its inception are in force.

It is unnecessary to point out the paramount position held by Helouan as a health and pleasure resort, as the fame of its attractive mineral springs and delightful climatic conditions are well known and appreciated. But what is interesting to know, from a commercial point of view, is that the rapid growth of Helouan has attracted the attention of investors to the opportunities that now offer for the remunerative employment of capital in its development.

Helouan is situated about 16 miles from Cairo, and is connected by the Egyptian Delta Light Railways, Limited, the directors of which are so alive to the future of this rising suburb of Cairo, that they have or are about to expend £50,000 in improving this branch of their line. The line to Touhah was recently doubled, thus accelerating the communication and enabling the Company to put on a frequent service of Express Trains, (the journey occupying about 30 minutes). The passenger service has already been equipped with luxurious modern corridor carriages fitted with Electric Light.

Helouan is becoming increasingly popular as a residential district for City professional and business men, and a growing demand is apparent for more improved and commodious habitations than at present exist.

The yearly influx of visitors steadily continues, hotel and other residential establishments are feeling the tax on their resources to adequately meet the requirements of those seeking the health giving advantages of Helouan's desert air.

The Golf Links, Racecourse, Paddock, Racing Stables, etc., are important attractions, and the surroundings afford the most enjoyable place for horse exercise near Cairo.

The following is given in compliance with the requirements of the Companies Act, 1900. The provision in the Articles of Association as to the remuneration of the Directors are as follows:—

"As remuneration for his services as a Director the Chairman shall receive remuneration at the rate of £300 per annum, and the other Directors shall receive remuneration at the rate of £20 per annum. In addition to the said fixed remuneration there shall be divided between the Directors, in such manner as they may determine, a sum equal to 10 per cent. on the profits certified by auditors of the Company to have been made in each year in excess of a sum sufficient to provide a dividend of six

per cent upon the amount paid up or credited as paid up, on the Ordinary Shares for the time being, having regard to the provisions as to the division of profits hereinafter contained, but without making any provision for a reserve fund."

"The remuneration of a Managing Director or a Director or Directors, as managers shall, from time to time, be fixed by the Directors, and may be by way of Salary or commission, or participation in profits, or by any or all of these modes."

"If any Director, being willing, shall be called upon to perform extra services, or to make any special exertions in going or residing abroad, or otherwise for any of the purposes of the Company, or as trustee for the Company or its Directors, he shall, and shall do so, the Company in his remuneration such Director either by a fixed sum or by a percentage of profits or otherwise as may be determined by the Directors, and such remuneration may be either in addition to or in substitution for his remuneration as provided."

By a contract dated 17th November, 1906, and made between Andrew Perov Phillippe on behalf of the Company and the Egyptian Lands and Agency, Limited, who are in consideration of paying all the costs, charges and expenses of and incident to the preparation, executing, stamping and registration of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company, and the preparation, advertising, printing and the circulating of the prospectus, and all charges and legal expenses up to and including date of allotment, exclusive of stamps on Share Warrants, or any brokerage in respect of such capital, to receive a sum of seven thousand five hundred pounds from the Company.

The Egyptian Lands and Agency, Limited, has further undertaken to underwrite, for a commission of five per cent, payable by the Company, eighty five thousand Shares of £1 each. This contract will be adopted by the Company.

Various sub-underwriting contracts exist. Two Directors, Mr. Elie Toriel and Mr. J. Rupert Campbell are interested in the promotion of the Company to the extent of 700 shares each in the Egyptian Lands and Agency Limited.

The Directors are interested as underwriters, and each will receive the five per cent on the number of shares underwritten by him as follows:—

Elie Toriel, 5,000 shares. J. Rupert Campbell, 2,000 shares. Auguste Rossano, 2,000 shares. Alfred Chamass, 2,000 shares, and Edward Forb, 2,000 shares.

Applications for Shares should be made on the accompanying form and forwarded with cheque for the amount payable on application to the Company's Bankers. If no allotment is made, the application money will be returned in full, and where the number of shares allotted is less than that applied for the surplus will be credited in reduction to the amount payable on allotment and any excess will be returned to the Applicant.

Failure to pay any instalment when due will render the previous payments liable to be forfeited.

A copy of the Memorandum of Association, which forms part of this Prospectus, is endorsed hereon.

The minimum subscription upon which the Directors may proceed to Allotment has been fixed by the Articles of Association at £10,000.

A brokerage of 5 per cent per Share will be paid to Brokers and Bankers on all Shares applied for and allotted to the public on Application Forms bearing their stamps. No claims for brokerage will be recognised by the Company unless the Application Form is distinctly stamped with the name and address of Brokers whose clients are subscribing.

A Print of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company, and the abovementioned Contract can be inspected at the Offices of M. T. Carton de Wiart, Cairo.

Copies of this Prospectus and Application Forms can be obtained at the Local Offices of the Company, and from the Company's Bankers.

Dated the 1st December 1906. 28992-3-3

We, the several persons whose names and addresses are subscribed, are desirous of being formed into a Company, in pursuance of this Memorandum of Association, and we respectively agree to take the number of Shares in the capital set opposite our respective names

Table with columns: Names, Address, & Descriptions of Subscribers, Number of Shares taken by each Subscriber. Includes J. RUPERT CAMPBELL, ELIE TORIEL, AGUSTE ROSSANO, ALFRED CHAMASS, EDWARD FORBES, MONTAGU SUMMERS, ALEXANDER NUNGOVICH, AUGUSTE ROSSANO, E. J. ADDA, ALFRED CHAMASS, ALBERT HILL, JULES FRANCOIS, HENRY HICKS, HENRY HICKS.

One-Third of the whole issue is reserved for Egypt. Each Subscriber for Ordinary Shares will be entitled to apply for and receive an allotment at par, of One Deferred Share in respect of every complete 100 Ordinary Shares allotted to him.

The Subscription List will be opened on MONDAY, 10th DECEMBER, 1906, and closed on or before Noon on THURSDAY, 13th DECEMBER, 1906.

THE UNITED EGYPTIAN LANDS, Limited.

Incorporated under the Companies Acts, 1862 to 1900.

CAPITAL - £500,000

Divided into 498,750 Ordinary Shares of £1 each, and 25,000 Deferred Shares of 1s. each.

The Ordinary Shares are entitled to a Preferential Dividend of 7 per cent, and will participate in any dividend in excess of the ordinary dividend of 7 per cent, and the Deferred Shares taking 40 per cent, and the Ordinary Shares the remaining 60 per cent.

ISSUE OF 398,750 ORDINARY SHARES and 3,987 DEFERRED SHARES, payable as follows:—

ORDINARY SHARES—2s. 6d. per Share on Application, 2s. 6d. per Share on Allotment, and the balance in Calls not exceeding 6s. per Share, at intervals of not less than three months.

DEFERRED SHARES—1s. per Share on Application.

Subscribers may pay for their Shares in full at any time before calls are made, and can then obtain Share Warrants to Bearer, free of Stamp Duty, in exchange for their Certificates.

The remaining Ordinary Shares are reserved for allotment, as fully paid, under Contract No. 1 set out hereunder.

The remaining Deferred Shares have been previously subscribed for and will be allotted as stated within.

Directors: Major General Sir JOHN C. ARDAGH, K.C.M.G., K.C.I.E., C.B., 118, Queen's Gate, London, S.W., representative of H.B.M. Government on the Board of Administration of the Suez Canal Company.

ELIAS MEYER, Esq. of Meyer Bros. & Co., Cairo, and E. Meyer & Co., Singapore.

GERALD ARTHUR SHEPPARD, Esq., 57, Old Broad Street, London, E.C., Deputy-Chairman of Egyptian Estates, Limited.

Colonel HENRY LEYCESTER ATLMER, Risby Manor, Suffolk, Director of The Egyptian Enterprises and Development Company, Limited.

JOHN HICKS PAUL, Esq., Agricultural Expert, Alexandria.

NEURHA J. SURSOCK, Esq., Proprietor, Alexandria.

SIR HENRY HESTON CARVER, Esq., of Carver Bros., Merchants, Alexandria.

Legal Advisors: LLOYDS BANK, LIMITED, 15, Cheapside, London, E.C., and all Branches. THE ANGLO-EGYPTIAN BANK, LIMITED, London and Egypt.

NICHOLSON, GIBRAM & BRESLY, Solicitors, 24, Coleman Street, London, E.C.

MAITRE THEOPHILE AIGARD, Advocate, Alexandria, Egypt.

W. B. PRAT & CO., 11, Ironmonger Lane, London, E.C., Chartered Accountants.

F. J. ASHLEY, F.S.A.A., F.C.I.S., Finsbury Pavement House, London, E.C.

ERROL KERR, C.A., of Messrs. ROUSSEL, KERR & WYATT, Chartered Accountants, Alexandria and Cairo.

[ABRIDGED PROSPECTUS.]

This Company has been formed for the purpose set out in its Memorandum of Association, and especially to carry on business in Egypt and the Sudan. The attention of the Board will, at opportunities present themselves, be more particularly directed to:—

1. The purchase, development and subsequent leasing, or resale of agricultural and building land.

2. The lending of money, on mortgage or otherwise on land or other approved securities.

3. The carrying on of the business of an Investment Company.

The removal of all possibility of friction, due to the Anglo-Franco Agreement, and the confidence engendered by the certainty of a protected British administration, has added the element of stability to Egypt which is previously lacking.

That this vital fact is being realized is clearly shown by the remarkable progress now being made in agriculture and commerce, which again is reflected in the ever-increasing prosperity of the natives and the steady rise in land values during the last few years. It has been remarkable, those who are best acquainted with the conditions of the country and its people are emphatically of the opinion that a further steady increase of prosperity and a corresponding improvement in values is assured.

The increasing wealth of the natives, whose one form of investment is agricultural land, coupled with the fact of their rapid numerical increase and the natural limit imposed upon the cultivation of new land by the amount of water available for irrigation, all tend to increase the capital and rental value of such land as either actually under cultivation or is approaching that stage; in addition to which there always remains the fact that, even if the utmost possibilities foreshadowed by Sir William Garstin as to water supply were fulfilled, it is estimated by Mr. Lang Anderson, that at most about another one and a half million acres could be brought into agricultural use in the whole of Egypt, and that, only after an expenditure of over ten millions sterling, during a period of twenty years. At the end of 1904, roughly five and a quarter million acres of land were held by about one million owners, of whom nearly seven-eighths were native holders, of less than five acres each. With an estimated present population of about eleven millions, which is steadily increasing at the rate of about 3 per

cent per annum, and with a revenue and a foreign trade which has increased over 60 and 100 per cent, respectively during the last 25 years, it would appear that the expression used in Lord Cromer's Report of March last that "the material prosperity of the country rests on a basis of somewhat exceptional solidity" is amply justified.

In view of the facts above stated this Company will mainly devote itself to the development of selected agricultural estates with a view to their rental or sale to natives in plots suitable to their requirements. Excellent opportunities frequently occur of lending money on first mortgages at good rates and with ample margin. With a local Advisory Board composed of business men of high standing and long experience in Egypt good profits may reasonably be expected from this and other forms of investment which require special local knowledge.

Mr. John Hicks Paul, the well-known Agricultural Expert in Egypt, has joined the Advisory Board, and will act as the Company's technical adviser for a period of three years. The Company has acquired from The H. and J. Syndicate, Limited, the right to purchase the Kom-el-Ahdar estate of 4,793 faddans (say 5,000 English acres), situated about 12 miles south of Alexandria, and connected by a tramway, 14 miles in length, with the Delta Light Railways system. Mr. R. Lang Anderson has reported to The H. and J. Syndicate, Limited, upon the property, and a copy of his Report is sent herewith.

It will be noted that he states that the supply of water appears to be excellent, and the property well supplied with main canals. That the soil varies from a very light sandy loam to a heavy black loam, but is all suitable for cultivation of the usual crops of Lower Egypt. The principal buildings are in excellent condition, and quite sufficient for the property as present, but more accommodation for tenants will have to be built yearly as the land comes to the letting stage. That the number of working bullocks is sufficient for reclamation purposes, and there is a good supply of mules, horses and donkeys for transport work. The usual crops of cotton, barrow, wheat and barley were doing well. That the property was capable of great development at moderate cost, and if £30,000 is judiciously spent on it during the next five years it could be brought to a capital value of £75 to £80 per faddan. That the work of development is simple and follows well-known lines, so that the element of unforeseen contingencies was largely diminished, while the results of development were sure. That he advised the Board to invest in the property at £15 per faddan, and to identify themselves with the purchase. That if an acre on development is well spent, the capital value will increase enormously yearly. That the present rental received is £1,841,600 (=£3,940'000'000) that is £4 per faddan in respect of 980 faddans, and he states that in his opinion, when fully reclaimed, the whole of the property should let at an even better rent—4,793 faddans at, say, £1 10s. per faddan, would give an income of £21,500 per annum.

The H. and J. Syndicate, Limited, have obtained an option on a valuable property, of about 25,000 acres, at 'Rahid' Ismail, Cairo, which can be secured by this Company at a satisfactory price.

The Directors have other business in view which is believed to be of a most profitable nature; as, however, negotiations are still in progress, it is not possible to give details at present.

Full details, &c., can be obtained by intending applicants at the Anglo-Egyptian Bank.

COPY OF MR. R. LANG ANDERSON'S REPORT.

15, RUE DE LA GARE DE RAHLEH, ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT, 24th May 1906.

DEAR SIR, KOM-EL-AHDAR PROPERTY.

Having visited the Kom-el-Ahdar property, I beg to report as follows:—

SITUATION.—The property is well situated and easily got at, being about 50 miles south-east of Alexandria and only 14 miles distant from Kom-el-Ahdar Station on the Delta Light Railway, from which point there is a 60 centimetre tramway to the principal brumstead.

IRRIGATION.—The supply of water appeared to be excellent, and the property is well supplied with main canals.

DRAINAGE on the greater part of the Estate is good, but the drains are too few in number and not deep enough. The whole property would greatly benefit, in my opinion, by a closer and deeper system of canalisation. About 1,000 faddans, more or less, are comparatively low lying, and my requisite to have their drainage pumped during part of the year to reclaim them properly.

SOIL varies from a very light sandy loam to a heavy black loam, but is all suitable for cultivation of the usual crops of Lower Egypt.

BUILDINGS.—The principal buildings, which are in excellent condition, are quite sufficient for the property, but more accommodation for tenants will have to be built yearly as the land comes to the letting stage.

Stock.—The number of working bullocks is sufficient for reclamation purposes, and there is a good supply of mules, horses, and donkeys for the transport work.

PRESENT CONDITION.—The usual crops of cotton, barrow, wheat, and barley are doing well, and on the high light soil all round the principal dwelling house, orange and lemon trees would grow well. On several parts of the Estate the cotton was looking very well, but on other parts it was doing badly, simply due, in my opinion, to having been planted on land not yet sufficiently reclaimed to grow the crop. Rice was being grown as a reclamation crop, and could do better if the drains were closer and deeper and the land more carefully levelled before the crop was sown.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENT.—The property is capable of great development at moderate cost. If £30,000 is judiciously spent on it during the next three years, it could be brought to a capital value of £75 to £80 per faddan. The work of development is simple and follows well known lines, so that the element of unforeseen contingencies is largely diminished, while the results of development are sure.

CONCLUSION.—The property is a good investment at £15 a faddan. The revenue for the first year or two will be small, but if the money on development is well spent the capital value will be increasing enormously yearly, and later on the revenue will come to and go on increasing until at least £4 10s. is reached. I can confidently recommend the purchase of this Estate of 4,793 faddans, which, according to Mr. Sorocock's figure, has at present a rental

of L.E. 3,841,600 from an area of 980 faddans, which is slightly over £4 sterling per faddan, and I see no reason why the whole of the property, when fully reclaimed, should not do even better, as some of the lot is not, in my opinion, quite ready to give to tenants, and if the proprietor had kept it in his own hands for another year under reclamation crops he could have got a higher rent.

Yours faithfully, (Signed) R. LANG ANDERSON

C. T. HOLLAND Esq., THE H. AND J. SYNDICATE LIMITED.

VALUATION OF KOM-EL-AHDAR. GROSS AREA 4,793 FADDANS.

Table with columns: Land Let, Cultivated by Proprietor, Uncultivated, Semi-Reclaimed, Half Canal Francousia. Values in faddans and pounds.

All buildings, machinery, live stock and other assets, being essential to the property, are included in the above valuation. The area of the different tracts are taken from Mr. Sorocock's figure. The Half Canal Francousia is a very valuable asset, but not being lettable I have put no value against it. The land tax payable to Government varies from P.T. 5 to P.T. 57 per faddan, and according to Mr. Sorocock's figures, amounts at present to L.E. 653,846 which is not heavy, as land tax runs, being only an average of P.T. 13 3/5 per faddan, but this, of course, will be increased as the land is reclaimed.

R. L. A.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE CHANCERY DIVISION.

Mr. JUSTICE WARRINGTON.

In the Matter of the Egyptian Delta Land and Investment Company Limited

AND In the Matter of the Companies (Memorandum of Association) Acts 1860.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Petition was presented to His Majesty's High Court of Justice on the 15th November 1906 by the above named Company to confirm a Special Resolution of the Company passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the said Company held on the 17th July 1906 and subsequently confirmed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the said Company held on the 16th August 1906 to the effect following:—

"THAT the Memorandum of Association be varied as follows: (1) by striking out from Section 3 sub-section (a) of the Memorandum of Association the words "in any District" and by substituting for the words in which the "Railways belonging to or that may at any time hereafter belong to the Egyptian Delta Light Railways Limited or any extension or branch thereof existing or hereafter constituted or proposed to be constituted may serve or be intended to serve" occurring in the same sub-section the words "or in the Sudan."

AND Notice is further given that the said Petition is directed to be heard before Mr. Justice Parker at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London, on Saturday the 12th day of January 1907.

ANY person interested in the said Company whether as Creditor Shareholder or otherwise desiring to oppose the making of an Order for the confirmation of the said Resolution under the above Act should appear at the time of hearing by himself or his Counsel for the purpose. A copy of the said Petition will be furnished to any such person requiring the same by the undermentioned solicitors on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

Dated this 26th day of November 1906.

(Signed) CHAS. HULBERT, Master.

NORTON ROSE BARRINGTON & Co. Solicitors for the Company, 57, Old Broad Street, London, E.C.

Municipalite d'Alexandrie

La Municipalite met en adjudication la fourniture des articles necessaires pour le fonctionnement de rouleries compressores pendant l'annee 1907.

Le cautionnement est fixe a L.E. 80 (Trente). Le cahier des charges est depose a la Bureau de la Voirie ou il peut etre consulte par les interessés tous les jours de 9 h. a midi, les jours feries exceptes.

Les offres devront etre adressees sous pli cache a Monsieur l'Administrateur de la Municipalite avant le 18 Decembre 1906. Elles pourront etre remises a Monsieur le Delegue de la Delegation le meme jour a 5 h. p.m.

L'Envelopepe devra porter en outre la mention: "Commission pour fourniture articles necessaires Rouleries Compressores". Le cautionnement de la somme d'une banque, devra etre remis separément au Service de la Comptabilite Generale avant l'ouverture des offres et au plus tard le 18 Decembre a midi.

Toute offre qui ne remplit pas les conditions ci-dessus sera cartee.

L'Administrateur, Sigud W.P. CHAZAWAY, Alexandria, le 20 Novembre 1906. 2892-3-2

Sudan Government.

NOTICE.

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This depends partly upon the month in which you leave Egypt, for Cairo in January may be a little warmer than the Riviera, and possibly not so warm as Sicily, but in March it will be warmer than Rome, and more uniformly warm than many other places in Europe.

They are as follows—

Table listing routes from Port Said or Alexandria to various European ports like Plymouth, Southampton, London, Liverpool, etc., with durations.

The steamers of the P. & O., North German Lloyd, Orient, and Messageries Maritimes are the largest. The Anchor, British India, and Bibby Lines are also excellent, and their steamers are largely patronised by travellers.

The quickest through Continental routes are by P. & O. Brindisi express from Port Said, and the Austrian Lloyd Trieste-Vienna express from Alexandria.

As regards heavy luggage, it must be borne in mind that very little luggage is allowed free on the railways of Europe, but there are several good and responsible forwarding agents in Egypt who undertake at a fixed charge to deliver packages to any address in Europe.

The quickest manner of getting to Europe from Port Said is undoubtedly by the fast Mail Steamers "Osiris" and "Isis" to Brindisi. One of these leaves Port Said every week, as soon as possible after receiving the Indian

mails from the great lines arrived from Bombay.

These small but comfortable ships have enormously powerful engines, and attain a very high rate of speed. They are called the "Ferry boats," having been specially built to carry the British mail from Port Said to Brindisi. If you are going straight through to England you will find the train waiting at Brindisi which will take you to Calais without changing. It has complete arrangements for sleeping and eating on board, and you should arrive in London on the fifth day from leaving Port Said.

HOTELS EN ROUTE.

Hotels in Sicily: SYRACUSE GRAND HOTEL, SYRACUSE HOTEL DES EVANGELIS, TAORMINA HOTEL METROPOLE, PALERMO Villa Iglea, Grand Hotel.

SICILY.

The direct route to Sicily is by the Florio-Rubattino Co's steamers, which leave Alexandria weekly for MESSINA, where one takes train to TAORMINA, one of the most charming and popular places on the island.

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